

**Known Descendants of
Fort Alford
1785 NC - 1848 LA**

*This is a draft version of a work in progress. It is little more than a fragment, but all we have at present. It is very incomplete, probably has error and maybe some embedded working notes. Please treat it accordingly and if you can help with additions or corrections please contact us. The fifth generation was removed to protect the privacy of the living.
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1. **Fort Alford** #3379 b. 1785, North Carolina, m. (1) **Hannah Goodson** #3380, b. South Carolina, (daughter of William Goodson #3391 and _____ #3392) d. 1817, m. (2) Sep 30 1819, in Lawrence County, Mississippi, **Elizabeth Stringer** #3384, b. May 3 1801, Edgecombe Co., NC ??, (daughter of Noah Stringer #5578 and . #5579) d. 1840. Fort died 1848, St. Tammany Parish, LA. 1809 paid taxes, apparently in Pulaski Co. GA, on land owned in Lincoln Co. GA,

In War of 1812 he was a Private.

Bounty Land Records "Fort Alford, corporal in Captain Shadrach Atkinson's Co. of Georgia Drafted Militia at Camp Newhope, St. Johns, E. Fla, commenced service 7 Oct 1812, expiration of service 17 Apr 1813, promoted 5 Dec 1812.

Served as Sgt under command of Lt William Lister.

In 1815 Fort was listed as Captain in Twiggs Co. GA.

Fort lived with the Goodson family in Georgia for about five years before he and Hannah were married.

The family moved to what was to become Lawrence County, Mississippi in 1816. Hannah died that year or in 1817 leaving three children: Rachael, Sarah and William. William died soon after his mother. The children lived with William Goodson who sent them to school.

Tax records in 1818 show Fort had 160 acres in Lawrence Co.

According to Fort's father-in-law's estate court case, Fumey Alford was living with Fort in 1820. It is possible that they were brothers.

In 1821 Fort moved to Homochitto, Franklin Co., MS and remained there until 1823 when he returned to Lawrence Co.

In 1825 Fort left Lawrence Co and moved to East Florida where he was an overseer in 1826. He was still there in 1827.

In 1830 he was listed as a sergeant in Tallahassee, FL.

Succession (estate) records of Fort Alford #20 1/2 8th Judicial District Court six pages filed Jun 6 1848. "a school teacher, no record of the family living in St. Tammany [parish]"

Elizabeth: m: Marriage Book 1, page 21, 42 and 43, Lawrence Co. MS.

Children by Hannah Goodson:

- + 2. i **Rachael Fowler Alford** #3381 b. Dec 5 1810.
3. ii **Sarah Ann Alford** #3382 m. Jul 19 1827, in Hinds County, MS, **Moses Collins** #3394. After her mother's death she was a ward of her grandfather William Goodson. m: Marriage Book 1, 1823-1836, Hinds Co., MS.
4. iii **William Alford** #3383 d. 1817.
Children by Elizabeth Stringer:)
5. iv **Noah Stringer Alford** #3385 b. 1820, Mississippi.
6. v **Damaris Ann Alford** #3386 b. 1821, m. Jan 25 1841, in Lawrence Co., MS, **Daniel Messer Scarborough** #5580. m: Marriage Book 2, page 353, Lawrence Co., MS
7. vi **James Monroe Alford** #3387 b. 1822, Mississippi.
- + 8. vii **Nancy Elizabeth Alford** #3388 b. 1835.
9. viii **Fort B. Alford** #3389 b. 1836.
10. ix **William Alford** #3390 b. 1840.

Second Generation

2. **Rachael Fowler Alford** #3381 (1.Fort¹) b. Dec 5 1810, m. (1) in Lawrence County, Mississippi, **Payton Lawrence Clower** #3393, b. Jan 10 1819, d. Nov 16 1889, m. (2) in Lawrence County, Mississippi, **Benjamin Sherrod** #3395, d. 1835. Rachael died Nov 16 1886. After her mother's death she was a ward of grandfather William Goodson. HAD MARRIAGE DATE OF Jan 20 1820 WHICH IS NOT LOGICAL. m: Marriage Book 1, page 272, Lawrence Co., MS
Children by Payton Lawrence Clower:
 11. i **Frances M. Clower** #5581. HAD HER BORN Jul 16 1830 BUT FATHER WOULD HAVE BEEN ONLY 11
 12. ii **Samantha Jane Clower** #5582 b. Oct 3 1840, m. **W. B. Smith** #5588, b. Jul 10 1827, d. Jul 26 1893. Samantha died Oct 23 1915.
 13. iii **John Francis Clower** #5583 b. Jan 26 1843.
 14. iv **Charles Elbert Clower** #5584 b. Dec 23 1845.
 15. v **Augustus Marion Clower** #5585 b. Jan 1 1847, m. **Anzouette T. Graham** #5589, b. Nov 10 1847, d. Aug 14 1936. Augustus died Sep 15 1924.
 16. vi **Mary Margaret Clower** #5586 b. Apr 14 1849, m. **Joseph A. Newberry** #5590. Mary died Aug 14 1899.
 - + 17. vii **Robert Pleas Clower** #5587 b. Sep 11 1852.
8. **Nancy Elizabeth Alford** #3388 (1.Fort¹) b. 1835, m. **Samuel Baskin Hathorn** #5592, b. Dec 15 1836, Covington Co., MS, d. 1877. Nancy died 1899.
Children:
 - + 18. i **John Gartman Hathorn** #10875 b. Jan 19 1870.

Third Generation

17. **Robert Pleas Clower** #5587 (2.Rachael², 1.Fort¹) b. Sep 11 1852, m. **Alice Matilda Brown** #5591, b. Jan 5 1859, d. Sep 14 1950. Robert died Aug 12 1914.

Children:

- 19. i **Arthur Lawrence Clower** #5593 b. Oct 19 1875, m. **Rosa Lee Turner** #5596, b. Apr 4 1877, d. Jul 8 1958. Arthur died Sep 5 1953.
 - 20. ii **Mary Elizabeth Clower** #5594 b. Feb 23 1881, m. **John Paul Donaldson, Sr.** #5597, b. Dec 27 1869, d. Jun 16 1955. Mary died Feb 19 1974.
 - 21. iii **Gladys M. Clower** #5595 b. about 1899, m. (1) **Jack Quarles** #5598, m. (2) **Earl Jarrett** #5599. Gladys died Apr __ 1983.
18. **John Gartman Hathorn** #10875 (8.Nancy², 1.Fort¹) b. Jan 19 1870, Covington Co., MS, m. **Timy Mae Speights** #10876.
- Children:*
- + 22. i **Johnnie D. Hathorn** #10877.

Fourth Generation

22. **Johnnie D. Hathorn** #10877 (18.John³, 8.Nancy², 1.Fort¹) m. **John Stanely Williams** #10878, b. Dec 12 1901, Jeff-Davis Co., MS.
- Children:*
- + 23. i **Bonnie D. Williams** #10879.